

### **Request for Approval for Hunting on Sunday.**

While some states have legitimate concerns regarding public safety, it's entirely un-American to deny someone the right to hunt their own land I would suggest it should be up to state wildlife management agencies to decide where and when hunting is appropriate — with input from stakeholders like landowners and hunters — instead of an arbitrary ban on hunting based off of a philosophy over 250 years old. Especially in a world where my free time is precious, and Sundays and Saturdays are the only days some can hunt without using vacation time. There are many people generally that don't have the luxury of hunting on weekdays. In fact, research indicates that the number one reason people no longer hunt or fish in America is because it's too difficult to get out and find a place to hunt or fish and the time to do it.—

Firstly, the deer rifle season in CT is less than 2 weeks that means without taking days off you have 2 Saturdays to hunt. . For many, many hunters, they can only hunt Saturday because that's when they're off. Assuming you do not have a muzzleloader or bow you have 2 days on Private land to hunt with a rifle. Certainly allowing hunting on Sunday would provide private property owners and landowners more freedom to use their land, and pump up the state's economy for any type of hunting, bow, muzzleloader and rifle. The Virginia Sunday Hunting Coalition argues that lifting the ban would give working families more opportunities to hunt.

"I'm all for hunting, especially deer," said Nancy Young, a birdwatcher, "They eat the woods up. I also understand the other side. But they have six days and we have one." **Please approve Sunday Hunting.**

### **CT Statue # 26-82 request for modification. 2<sup>nd</sup> Request add “designated tree farms that are being managed for reforestation”**

1. The Statue reads Under Connecticut General Statutes Section 26-82, a landowner or primary lessee of land may submit an application to the Connecticut DEEP indicating a minimum annual gross income of \$2,500.00 from the commercial cultivated production of grain, forage, fruit, vegetables, flowers, ornamental plants or Christmas trees and an actual or potential loss of this income as a result of severe damage caused by deer. An inspection by DEEP personnel will be required to verify damage and commercial status and to determine if safety factors dictate weapon and hunting area restrictions. It does not include tree farms managed for reforestation.
2. Please under the statue for next year add designated tree farms that are being managed for reforestation. The deer are eating our seedling thereby not allowing our forests to develop.
3. Most recently we applied for crop damage permits under the Statue # 26-82 on the 100 acres we own and are managing for reforestation. However permits are not allowed for designated TREE Farms by the DEEP that are being managed with WHIPS and EQIPS for reforestation. Please under the statue for next year add designated tree farms that are being managed for reforestation The Franklin DEEP and NRCS agrees with our position but it is not allowed under the exact terms of the Statue, DEEP cannot issue crop damage permits....

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